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SUBJECT: WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE (WDC) AD HOC  
COMMITTEE

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1. REGARDING QUESTION WHETHER MANDATE OF WORKING GROUP OF  
WDC AD HOC COMMITTEE SHOULD INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS OR  
CONCLUSIONS, WE CONCUR IN RESPONSE SUGGESTED IN PARA 3  
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2. US POLICY ON WDC REMAINS THAT SUCH A CONFERENCE COULD PLAY A ROLE IN THE DISARMAMENT PROCESS AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME BUT IT WOULD BE PREMATURE TO PREPARE FOR ONE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. IF WDC HELD TOO EARLY, MOST LIKELY RESULT WOULD BE POLEMICAL EXCHANGES HARMFUL TO ADVANCEMENT OF DISARMAMENT OBJECTIVES. UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS, OTHER FORA, AND PARTICULARLY CCD, OFFER BEST CHANNEL FOR ACHIEVING PROGRESS IN MULTILATERAL ARMS CONTROL EFFORTS. GIVEN FUNDAMENTAL DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES ON BASIC PROPOSAL FOR A WDC, WE VIEW CONTINUED ACTIVE CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM BY UN AS EXERCISE IN FUTILITY WHICH IS ALSO COSTLY (1975 UN BUDGET PROJECTS \$121,500 FOR MEETINGS AND DOCUMENTATION REGARDING WDC). IN ADDITION, WE NOTE THAT UNGA AGENDA HAS A FULL RANGE OF

MORE CONCRETE DISARMAMENT ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION. WE RECOGNIZE THAT SOVIETS AND OTHERS MAY OBJECT TO DROPPING WDC QUESTION ENTIRELY AT THIS TIME. GIVEN THIS SITUATION, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO ATTEMPT AT LEAST TO HAVE WDC ITEM BE SCHEDULED FOR GA CONSIDERATION EVERY THIRD YEAR OR SO INSTEAD OF ANNUALLY. AS FIRST STEP IN THIS DIRECTION, USUN SHOULD ENCOURAGE, AS APPROPRIATE AND FEASIBLE, SELECTED DELEGATIONS TO TAKE THE LEAD IN HAVING AD HOC COMMITTEE'S REPORT REFLECT CONTINUED STALEMATE AND FUTILITY OF FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM. INGERSOLL

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